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Amendment

In the Claims:

Please add the following new claims 56-59:

--Claim 56. (New) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a hepatitis C virus (HCV) antisense polynucleotide capable of specifically hybridizing to the sense strand of the genome of an HCV, wherein the polynucleotide comprises a sequence of at least 8 nucleotides corresponding to a region of the sense strand of the genome of an HCV, and a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.

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Claim 57. (New) The composition of claim 56, wherein the polynucleotide sequence is at least 10 nucleotides.

Claim 58. (New) The composition of claim 56, wherein the polynucleotide sequence is at least 12 nucleotides.

Claim 59. (New) The composition of claim 56, wherein the polynucleotide is capable of selectively hybridizing to the genome of HCV1.--

Remarks

I. Claim Status

Claims 40-48 and 52-59 are pending in the present application. Support for new claims 56-59 is found in the